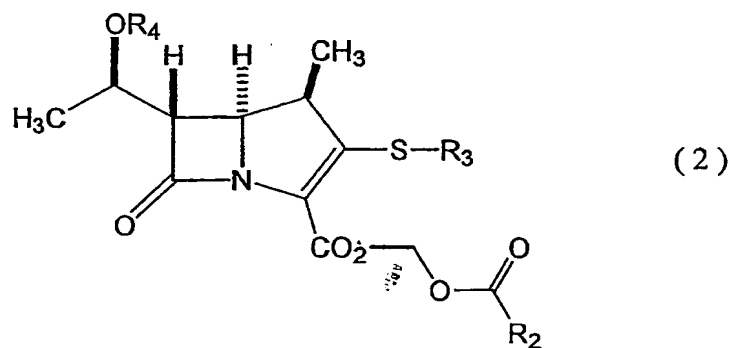


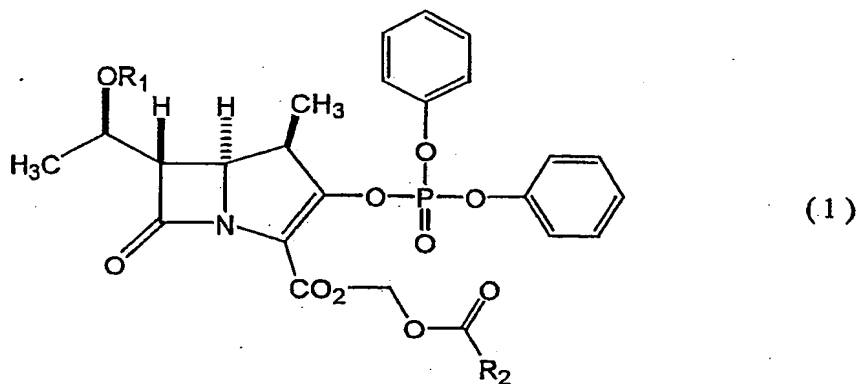
CLAIMS

1. A process for producing a compound represented by general formula (2):



wherein R<sub>2</sub> denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 10 carbon atoms or a cycloalkyl group having 3 to 10 carbon atoms; R<sub>3</sub> denotes an organic group; and R<sub>4</sub> denotes a hydrogen atom, a trimethylsilyl group or a triethylsilyl group,

characterized by reacting a compound represented by general formula (1):



wherein R<sub>1</sub> denotes a hydrogen atom, a trimethylsilyl group or a triethylsilyl group; R<sub>2</sub> denotes the same as described above,

with a thiol compound represented by general formula (3):

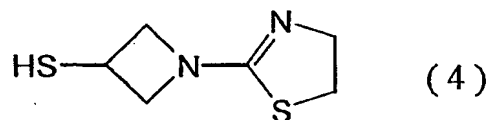


wherein  $R_3$  denotes the same as described above,

in the presence of a base and optionally eliminating the protective group  $R_1$ .

2. The production process according to claim 1, wherein  $R_2$  is a tert-butyl group.

3. The production process according to claim 1 or 2, wherein  $R_3$  is the thiol residue of a thiol compound represented by formula (4):



4. The production process according to claim 1 or 2, wherein  $R_3$  is the thiol residue of a thiol compound represented by formula (5):

